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WHITMAN GETS A FREE HAND IN SWANN INQUIRY

General Sessions Will Defer Action on Delehanty Charges.

INGRAHAM IS LIKELY TO BE COMMISSIONER

District Attorney Styles Accusation That of a Vengeful Politician.

WILL SHOW HIM NOT DESIRABLE IN OFFICE

Retiring Judge Says He Is Not a Candidate, but a Contestant.

Gov. Whitman will have a free hand it investigating the Deschanty charges against District Attor. oy Swann. While the matter is before the Governor the Judges of General Sessions, whom Mr. Swann asked in his statement of Sunday "make a thorough examination of the facts," will do nothing that might crobarrase the Governor and his agents of In-

Nor is it likely that the Justices of the Appellate Division or the General Seasions Judges, by one of which bodies the District Attorney wishes to be tried if a trial is ordered, will be requested by the Governor to review the conduct of Mr. Swann in the cases of the twenty-seven leaders represented by Mr. Dele-as having been virtually exonerated without trial or proper investigation the crimes for which they were in-

It is more probable that Gov. Whitman, if he decides, as he has indicated he will decide, that the Delehanty accusa-tions are worth of cial exploration, will appoint a single commissioner for the purpose. It is possible this commissioner off be George L. Ingraham, Republican, fermerly presiding Justice of the Appellate Division and a constant adviser of the Governor. No word of the Governor's has as jet come from Albany,

Calla It Political Fight.

In two interviews and a formal stateesterday his purpose to treat Mr. Dele-many's outburst as the act of an am-dious and vengeful politician, bent on tirring up a pretty political rumpus on

I'm in it to stay just as long as you (this to the newspaper men) will pubat to father these charges, but that he is tion for District Attorney or hold public office at 8 West Fort ith street and its like affair has got to the newspapers. I do not fear the consequences and have not even retained oldest concern of its kind in the United in the I really am helpless. I cannot understand how this has consequences and have not even retained. not lit to receive the Republican nomina-

tr. Swann also said that for at least member of the Seventh Regiment. He two months Lucian S. Breckinridge, for- is a member of the Union League Club. merly Assistant District Attorney, who resigned as special counsel in charge of the labor cases in March last after telling Mr. Swann that the proposed dishas been going to Albany to obelt the Governor's aid in a movement

Staff Takes I'p Fight.

Although Mr. Swann has, as he says not engaged counsel, there was no scar-dy of lawyers working in his behalf in the Criminal Courts Building yester-Forsaking their New Year's mer-aking, the members of his official came charging in from their house parties and their holiday fun to help heir chief gather ammunition to fire a Mr. Delehanty in immediate bombard ment and to examine the papers in th almost forgotten "labor cases" which

Gray haired John T. Dooling, Mr. Swann's chief aid, second only to the Instrict Attorney as an object of Mr. elehanty's attack, was there. With him were Leslie J. Tompkins, Edward Well, the young deputy assistant who handled the labor cases after Mr. Breckinridge reigned and who signed the recommen asking Judge Crain to discharge although previously eight tem had offered to plead guilty : James tosecutor of "white slavers." Maneuso, Richard Murphy od other assistants and deputies, And gurn in "the hall," and at various times Democratic nomina-District Attorney.

These men toiled all day in the Diswas to drive Prince Kaby to 48 Sixth at Attorney's private office around a syenue, much nearer the spot where their journey began. labor cases before them; likewise ourt records showing the activities of Mr. Delehanty before he became a Judge. were examined with especial Extress. Stenographers were kept

Swann Defera One Answer.

At 6.15 o'clock last evening Mr. to the etal that in none of the interviews or ments up to date had Mr. Swann ationed the most serious charge made. He Delehanty, namely, that the wit- Train Bringing the Men Home sees in the labor cases had not been

SCIENTISTS DISAGREE ON SAVING DAYLIGHT

American Astronomical Society's Committee Is Deadlocked on Merits of Plan.

A committee appointed by the American Astronomical Society to study the advantages of saving daylight has come to no agreement on the merits of the

Two members of the committee, Har-old Jacoby, professor of astronomy of Columbia University, and Frank Schles-inger, director of Allegheny Observatory, favor the adoption of the plan and are convinced that it would be highly bene-ficial; two others, Edward C. Pickering, director of Harvard College chervatory director of Harvard College observatory, and Henry Norris Russell, professor of astronomy of Princeton University, be-lieve that the disadvantages outweigh advantages.

The fifth member of the committee declines to break the tie. He is John M. Poor, professor of astronomy of Dart-mouth College. He believes that the plan should be put into operation, but only as an experiment, and if it proves advantageous it should be adopted. Representative Borland of Missouri will introduce in Congress to day a but elli introduce in Congress to-day a bill to make the daylight saving scheme us-tional and legal, according to an an-nouncement made last night by the New York Daylight Saving Committee. The committee in charge of the National Daylight Convention, to be held here January 35 and 31, is hopeful that the measure will become a law.

R. M. HURD RESCUES 2 FROM ICY DEATHS

Lawyers" Mortgage Co. Head Saves G. B. Hodgman and Son, Skaters, in River.

George Barker Hodgman, head of the Hodgman Rubber Company, was rescued from drowning Sunday afternoon by Richard M. Hurd, president of the Law-

near Oceanic, N. J. Their town house its at 299 Park avenue. The whole family went skating Saturday afternoon with other New Yorkers. Mr. Hodgman and his son were shead of Mrs. Hodgman and the son were shead of Mrs. Hodgman and the others when they struck a run of thin tee and went down.

They came up struggling and clung helplessly to the edge of the ice, which helplessly to the edge of the ice, which is the collected a bill from the Gorham Manu-

man and the others was a run of this ice and went down.

They came up struggling and chung helplessly to the edge of the ice, which cracked and broke away chunk by facturing Company for the bronze cast-chunk. Thei, cries and those of their ling. Her triends insist see has not the friends reached Mr. Hurd, who was playing in a bockey game more than a playing in a bockey game more than a Kitson. Mine. Bermardt, William F. Comor. John brew and others want to simple away. Mr. Hurd was rather retiseent when questioned last night, but he admitted that he skated that mile in the skated that mile in admitted that he skated that mile in admitted that he skated that mile in the skated that mile in admitted that he skated that mile in the skated that mile in admitted that he cand held the skated that mile in the skated that mile in the skated that mile in admitted that he cand held the skated that mile in the sk in Political Fight, cent when questioned list night, but he services and a formal state-strict Attorney made clear spurpose to treat Mr. Delevant as the act of an amyvengeful political rumpus on a pretty political rumpus on the city and county camble of the city and county camble.

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Scalptor's Widow Perturbed.

Mrs. Kilson, a most charming and interesting woman, was found to her matter. With the name of the candidate or committee are the cast and county political rumpus on the city and the proposition of the county political rumpus on the city and the state of the author, and that no political rumpus on the city and the state of the city and the county and the county and the county and the county and the city and the city

to be taken to his 'tome.

The rubber company of which Mr. caused. the Red Bank Yacht Club, the New Eng-land Society, and both he and Mr. Hurd

eighth street, is 51 years old, and a would be a spiends thing it some of the street. Is 51 years old, and a Mme. Bernhardt's friends would get to-graduate of Yale. He is a member of gether and present her with a bronze the University, Yale, Down Town and cast of the statuette.

"CAB, SIR!" CABBY AND PRINCE KABY DISAGREE

Mohammed of Turkey and Finkel of The Bronx Land in Police Station.

A violent upheaval at the corner of

is here on an official mission for his for the casting. Government and is living at 552 Fifth Mr. Drew had burded away to Read-avenue. The cabman was Joseph Finkel ing. Pa. yesterday to present "Penden-of 1418 Prospect avenue, The Bronx, als." Mm. Bernhardt and Mr. Connor for ten years alshie for ten. for ten years plying for trade in the

one was Alfred J. Talley, who is had broken his bargain, which was to the bill for the statuette. Mr. Swann's staff, but is a mem-convey the Prince from the Hotel La-convey the Hotel La-convey the Prince from t street for an emolument of helf a dol-lar; but the cabby said his fee had been named on the understanding that

Torrica, Kan., Jan. 1 - Sixteen cars of

GIFT MYSTIFIES BILL CURTAILS BULGARSSTORM WILSON'S HOPES VANISH; 'DIVINE' SARAH CAMPAIGN CASH DOBRUDJA LINE

Queen in "Ruy Blas," Returned to Donors.

tion by John Nrew? Ask Other Principals.

Who was the premoter of the movement to pay tribute to Mme. Bernhardt by presenting her with a bronze statuette of herself as the Queen in "Ruy son, Mmc. Bernhardt's manager, and, ineldentally. Mmc. Bernhardt herself, would like to know.

It was with much ceremony ouching sentiment that at a special matinee in the Empire Theatre on De-cember 8 Mr. Drew, representing the actors of America, made the presentation speech. On the stage be had a bronze statuette of Mme. Bernhardt which had been modeled in Paris, in 1879, by Samuel Kitson, an American scriptor. Mme. Bernhardt at that time had wen high praise in Victor Hugo's play, and the sculptor, entitusiastle over the actress's genius, had worked the statuette in clay and had it reproduces

planter of Paris. in planter of Paris.

M: Drew explained at the matines that Mrs. Anna M. Kitson, widow of the sculptor, had presented it to the actors, who, looking upon Mms. Bernhardt as the genius of their pr fession, were delighted to give it to her. Mms Bernhardt was delighted with the gift, and with many expressions of thanks.

Everything Seemed Lovely.

There were many curtain calls and die. Kitsen, who was present, wan leased with the event. She and her Richard M. Hurd, president of the Lawyers Mortgage Company. Mr. Hurd
also rescued George Barker Hodgman.
Jr., pulling them both out of a bole in
the Ice in the Shrewsoury River off
Mecker's Point, while Mrs. Hodgman
looked on. The story came out only
last night.
Mr. Hodgman, who once got a sites. last night.

Mr. Hodgman, who once got a silver medal from the American institute of Arts and Sciences for inventing a life preserver, was spending the holldays with his family at their country place near Oceanic, N. J. Their town house is at 299 Park avenue. The whole family went skafing Saturday afternoon with other New Yorkers. Mr. Hodgman and his son were alread of Mrs. Hodgman and his son were alread to be accompanied to Mrs. Hodgman and his son were alread to be accompanied to Mrs. Hodgman and his son were alread to be accompanied to Mrs. Hodgman and his son were alread to be accompanied to Mrs. Hodgman and his son were alread to be accompanied to Mrs. Hodgman and his son were alread to be accompanied to Mrs. Hodgman and his son were alread to pay the statustic and he accompanied to pay the statustic and statustic and he accompanied to pay the statustic and he accompa

Some of his sentences were: This is

spotical fight and I accept it as such.

Im in it to stay just as long as you (this to the newspaper) S. Borden's house at Oceanic, which was reached the newspapers and she did not the first 500,000 inhabitants, three cents Before I am through I nearer than his own, and it was mid- wish to discuss it. The bronze statuette how that Delehanty not only is not night before he had recovered sufficiently was on a pedestal in the studio, utterly oblivious of all the excitement it

"I regret exceedingly," said she, "that oneern of its kind in the United Mr. Hodgman was formerly a understand how this has come about or of the Seventh Regiment. He sember of the Union League Club. Faris and when Mmc. Bernhardt came the New York Chamber of Commerce, the Red Bank Yacht Club, the New England Society, and both he and Mr. Hurd statustic and one evening he called to nd society, and the Rumson Country see it. We lead a most interesting contain.

Mr. Rurd, who lives at 12 East Sixty- would be a splendid thing if some of would be a splendid thing if some of

Cast Was on Exhibition.

"I finally understood that I was commissioned to have the casting made. I did so and I sent it to Mr. Conner after it had been exhibited at Gorban's. Then the presentation to Mme. Hernhardt at the special matthee. I told him that the honor should be his. He then sug-gested that he would have Mr. Drew make the presentation on behalf of the actors of America. "The presentation was made. After

A violent upheaval at the corner of Sixth avenue and Forty-eighth street last evening caused Policeman Scherer to hurry over. At first he thought it was Caruso arguing with a cab driver, but then saw that the man he thought was Caruso was much darker.

It was none other than Prince Mohammed Kaby of Turkey, who said he lammed Kaby of Turkey. a few days I sent the bill to Mr. Connor,

ten years plying for trade in the were in Baltimore of some other city to the south. They could not be reached.

Prince Kaby swore that the cabby The question still remains: Who pays

was to drive Prince Kaby to 48 Sixth avenue, much nearer the spot where their journey began.

So Kaby, cabby and Scherer adjourned to the West Forty-seventh street police station, where the licutenant explained, overriding Kaby's voluble projectests, that the cabby was enlitted legally to a fee of \$1. Kaby paid it, exacted a receipt and then insisted that the cabby.

Avoid Accident.

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Charles Garriso of 106 Montrose avenue. Brooklya, who purchased an automobile last week, went driving yesterday with his wife and Margaret and Josephine Jepko, two children who live in his street, Brooklyn. The mother, Mrs.

Margaret Cregon, escaped from the building with her four-months' old baby in her arms.

Torina, Kan., Jan. I.—Sixteen cars of a state of these cases had been been sentigation of these cases had been system to Judge Crain, told Mr. System secretary that they would like the near Atgusta, Kan., according to leave a first of Judge Crain, told Mr. System secretary that they would like the near Atgusta, Kan., according to life the near Atgusta, Kan., according to ditch near Atgusta, Kan., according to ditch near Atgusta, Kan., according to more information reaching here.

The guardsmen were members of the Express that a thousand persons were killed or wounded in riots in Hamburg and Persons were killed or wounded in riots in Hamburg this liked by the Overseas News Agency, which says the Overseas N

Statuette of Bernhardt, New Measure Limits Each 23 Battalions Are Hurled Party to \$1.-500,000.

Two members of the committee, Har- PAYMENT NOW OVERDUE MANY DRASTIC FEATURES PUSH ON TOWARD SERETH

Pass Proposed

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1 .- Campaign contee would be limited to one and one-half cents per capita of the total population Blas". John Drew, Mrs. Samuel Kit- of the United States in the revised corrupt practices bill completed to-night by n Senate elections sub-committee, to be the Itussian defence line in the Do referred to the full committee to-morrow brudje and placed before the Senate Wednes-

> day. the holidays. Sengtor Owen said to-night again forced back, but the itimathan leaders of both parties had agreed to stood firm. Repeated Tenton expedite passage of a bill along the lines. further north were thrown back proposed.

The per capita basis would limit total The per capita basis would limit total contributions to any national committee Humanians have been forced to make Humanians have been forced to make a considerable retreat. During the night matery \$1,500,000. No individual would the Russians evacuated some positions, an eventful one in the lives of many mately \$1,500,000. No individual would be permitted to contribute more than \$5,000 and contributions by corporations to any campaign fund would be prohib-

reached out her hand for Mr. Drew to Election Eve Contributions Barred. Another important provision would

tion and require a complete report of contributions and dishursements to be filed with the cierk of the House of Representatives ten days before the election. Election betting and advertising of betting odds would be made a felony, and drastic provisions are proposed with edation to political advertising in newspapers and other publications. The bill provides that any person or corporation withdrawing or threatening to withdraw patronage, advertising or otherwise, from any publication for the purpose of in-

Newspapers or periodicals charging
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for political advertising in excess of
normal commercial advertising rates or
refusing non-libellous political advertisements offered at such rates when it
opens its columns to other political
advertising would be denied the use
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From of Archduke Joseph—German
cities in the Carpathiau forest succeed-

up to the second 500,000 and two cents per capita over the first million County committees would be limited to three cents per capita for the first 25,000, two cents per capita in excess of 45,000 to 100,000 and one cent above 100,000.

Limit of Expenditures.

Candidates for United States Senator and Representative at Large would be limited to campaign expenditures 55,000 cash in States of less than 1,000,000 population, and not to exceed two mills additional for each inhubitant in excess of 1,000,000. Fistrict candidates for the House of Representatives would be limited to an expenditure of \$2,500 in all cases. Senatorial and Congressional candidates, however, would be required to account for personal ex-penses, which would include travelling. hotel, postage, stationery, telegraph and

telephone charges.

The bill would limit all personal contributions to a Congressional or Senatorial campaign to \$100, and all other individual political contributions to anything but a recognized political commit-tee to \$50. It would be unlawful for a candidate to make promises of appoint-ment to political office.

ment to political office.

Transmission of State political funds from one State to another would be limited to \$1,000 for each Senator, and Representatives and members of Congress would be prohibited from soliciting campaign funds. State committees would contribute to national committees pro-vided the contributions did not swell the national fund above the legal limi-

LAMP SETS BED AFIRE: TWO CHILDREN PERISH

Mother Escapes With Baby in Arms From Blaze in Brooklyn Tenement.

Their bedelothes ignited by the upset-

to a fee of \$1. Kaby paid it, exacted a receipt and then insisted that the cabby, to finish the bargain, drive him, Kaby, to finish the bargain, drive him, Kaby, to finish the bargain, drive him, Kaby, to the corner where their row had occurred.

N. Y. GUARDSMEN IN DITCH.

Train Bringing the Men Home Jamus the Track in Kausas.

Toruna, Kab, Jan I.—Sixteen cars of the finish the cabby in he started to turn from Bushwich avenue into Jontone when a child ran in from of his machine. To save the life of the youngster he rate to the sciewalk and smashed into a telegraph hole. Garisso and his wife were flung over the windshield and the Jenke girls were thrown out when the car eventurated. He is in \$1. Catherine's head of time to seize her youngest child and cancustom of the brain. The others were not have rejeasely.

Against Centre of Russian Defence.

Who Promoted Its Presenta- Leaders of Both Sides Agree to Teutons Reach Bridgehead of Macin, Fort on Danube.

> London, Jan. 1 .- Steadily the new tributions to a national political commitwest, south and east. The Teutons seem on the point of bursting through the Carpathians; they are within a few miles of the Sereth and they have stormed

> mounthing was stronger at most poli-Senators: Reed. Waish and Compon spoker, the weak spot seems to exist on drafted the bill in collaboration with note sides of the coltan Pare, leading to Senator Owen, author of the original Tergy Ofton and the viral ratinosal. In measure debated in the Senate before this region the Russian troops were Stoneasmy Tenton attacks

Russians Yield Ground.

Teuton attacks during the day forced them and the Rumanians from

south and the same distance west of the important for ified city of Forsaul. The Brassians retreated to a point but are digging themselves in only 300 yards from the Russian trend In the Dobridge the Russians of Get. Sakharoff lost 1,000 soldlers, four canon and eight machine guns when the outer defense line protecting Machin was forced. This was accomplished in an

attack by twenty-three battallons, mostly Bulgarian troops, which charged the Russian centre. Walla La are twenty miles from the Secoth, near 18 junction with the Dannibe. If the Russians and Runamiens are forced benind

san' would likely meet the same fate

ed in blowing up a hostile blocklouse with the garrison. Between the Uzul and Putna valleys, German and Austro-Hungarian battalions took by sterm several height positions and re-pulsed violent Russian and Rumanian counter thrusts. Herestrau and Ungerent, in the Zabala Valley, were cap-

Front of Field Marshal von Mackensen—In the northern part of Great Wallachta the Hussians were defeated once more. The Ninth army pushed back the enemy into positions half way between Rimpik-Sarat and Focsan German and Bulgarian troops were in-creased considerable. A Russian

In the Dobrudia the successes of the reased considerable. A Russian gridgehead position east of Macin was taken yesterday, and 1,000 men, four cannon and eight machine guns were captured. In the district at the mouth the Danube the Bulgarian river guard annihilated about fifty Russians who had crossed St. Georges branch in canoes

The Russian Report.

The Russian statement on the Ruma-nian from follows: On the Moldavian front the enemy attacked several times the beights north west of Bakas station, on the River liekas, a tributary of the Bystritza. Each time be was repulsed by our fire. In the region of the River Domak the enemy took the offensive north of the brook which flows late the River De-muk-Patak. From one of the heights the enemy succeeded in pressing back our advanced post, but our position was reestablished following the arrival

of reserves.
In the valley of the River Trotus the enemy launched an attack from the vil-lage of Kotumba. He was repulsed lth great loss.

Simultaneously with this, the enemy bombarded the neighborhood of the vil-lage of Agas, southeast of Kotumba, with shells charged with asphyxlating gas.

Hard Fighting in Valleys. The attack of the enemy is continued

in the sector from the valley of the River Sulta to the River Tohabonisoha. and also in the valleys, of the river Doftians and Oituz. In the valleys of the latter two rivers the attacks were particularly persistent, and the enemy unreeded in pressing back our detach-The enemy strongly stracked the Rumanians on the front north and south of the Moldavinh frontier. The Rumanians maintained their positions. An attack by the enemy present lack

An attack by the enemy pressed back the Rumanians pear the source of the River Rimnik and obliged them to retire to the region of Petreanu, twenty versts west of Focsani, In the region of Focsani and further to the southeast as far as the Danube our detachments took up new positions during the night without positions during the might without pressure from the enemy's flank. In the morning the enemy began to launch attacks on the River Buzeu and along the Buzeu-Braila Railway. The attack was arrested by our rifle and arrillery fire.

Teutons Are Intrenching.

At noon the enemy attempted as advance in the region of Comanula fifteen versts west of Brails, but was beaten back by our rifle fire and re-tired in disorder. He is intraching himself in positions 800 to 1,000 feet from our line.
In the Dobrudja the enemy, about

twenty-three battalions - strong, de ployed against the centre of our posi-tions, assumed the offensive and pressed back our troops, who retired on the next line of defence. Only patrol fighting and artillery hombardments are reported by Berlin and Petrograd on the remainder of the

REPLY AS BAR TO PEACE Offices Takes Place in GIGANTIC BLOW, Offices Takes Place in

NEW WAR SCHEME

England.

Women Take Men's Places to Swell the Hosts on Battle Fronts.

ENTENTE'S ANSWER SHARPLY CRITICISED Quartermaster-General Von Ludendorf's

The Manchester 'Guardian' Hopes Note to Wilson Will Be Better Toned.

and the production of machine guns Britons. Thousands of men of military each of which virtually replaces a platage who had been granted temporary work of national importance and whose dente be fought as a wide exten

men, after having complied with the unable to break through this wall formalities, were marched off to the steel and fire is not only expressed by depots to commence training.

The toppe is expressed by the Manifested right down into the ranks of the dester Guardian that the forthcoming note of the Entente to President Wilson

Mixup in Translation.

"Several things must be remembered labor service bill and by a widespread in extenuation of the poop quality and poorer expression of the Allies' reply to Germany." says the Gaardian, "Ob. Yously it is not a good franchistic of the control of the

stance the reply was very much what was expected and inexitable. We renture to think nothing was added to its murse by the verbal embellishments with which it was enlarged and weakened. emotional appeals throughout the note until the postscript. which is strong, clear, logical, convincing tions intumeri obviously written by a different possible hand, deals specially with Belgium. "Nevertheless we see no reason why, if Germany is willing publicly to state what she is prepared to offer, we should

Wilson. This is a different and in many respects a more critical vatter.

The reply of the Central Powers was callective, but we see no reason why the reply of the Allies should be. At least we hope it will be drafted in this country and addressed, as we alone know how, to the mind and heart of the people of the United States. If it is to people of the United States, if it is to as they expect it to be by spring, Germany will be able to prevent any serious advance at this salient.

The new year, as far as internal conditions are concerned, will be a year of privations. The increased harvest of grains is offset by a disappointing parallel for any now he westponed for years," the document just made public.

pected to be familiar with European pollties unless it is so instructed.
"There is nothing in history quite anal ogous to this exchange of manifestees between belligerents while the armies are still at grips, but let us be sure it is going to play a highly important and po-

RUSSIAN MONK RASPUTIN DEAD Edward Materne, Septuagenar-Canr's Adviser Reported Assassin-

sibly useful part in the last stage of this

ated: Body on River Bank. London, Jan. 2 .- Despatches from the Regier and other Petrograd correspondents may that Gregory Rasputin, the Russian monk, who is reputed to exercise great influence over Emperor Nicholas, is According to Beuter's correspondent Rasputin's body was found on ank of one of the branches of the River Neva. The other correspondents say that Rasputin was assassinated under dracircumstances It will be recalled that twice previously Rasputin has been reported to have been

EIGHT SHIPS ARE TORPEDOED. Three of Crew of Russian Vessel

Are Drowned. Loxpon, Jan. L.-Lloyd's reports the sinking of the Russian steamship Tuskar, 2,043 tons gross, by a derman subma-Three of the crew were drowned. The others were landed at Stavanger,
The British steamer Apsierhall, 2.882
tons, the Danish steamer Danmark,
2.050 tons the Norwegian steamship
Edds, 1.137 tons; the Greek steamer
Demetrical Inglesia, 2.988 tons, the Norwegian steamers Flora, 1.622 tons, and tockefelier taking the lead, Will desired to the control of th

GERMANS' PLAN

BERLIN REGARDS ALLIES'

Stupendous Armament Is Be-CAUSES UPHEAVAL ing Prepared for New Campaign in West.

> Binnin, by wireless, Jan. 1 .- Many thousand guns a week are the measure of the mighty manufacturing effort which Germany is now making for the campaign of 1917. The entire manhood of the nation which can be spared from the front and their regular occupations is concentrated for this task under First

universal labor service law. Counting four months before the prob able renewal of war in full vigor on all fronts, these figures mean a new im-mense supply of carrion of all calibres from field guns to howitzers to meet the admittedly gigantic effort which the Entente Allies are expected to make it this, the third year of Kitchener's prophecy, to turn the scale of the war. Along with these guns the German factories are turning out correspondingly stupendous quantities of ammunition, on of men has been placed on a scale beyond that of the past year

The campaign of 1917 will, it is e now been many by women development of the Somme battle, will above the military age even a heavier concentration of artiller above the military age. development of the Somme battle. donned khaki for the first time.

There was a tush at all the recruiting offices, and all day long columns of Confidence that their opponents will be

To produce great masses of war ma will be written by a different hand and terial thousands of skilled men have in a different spirit than the reply of the Allies to Germany. In the Krupp and other munition factories. These men are replaced in the

Germany," says the Geordian, "Obviously it is not a good translation from
the French, Moreover, the French orginal clearly is not the French of a
Frenchman. We should say it is a
Frenchman. We should say it is a
French rendering of a Russian original,
passed without sensible modification in
Taris, and finally badiy done into Eoglish in London.

"Aside from these blemishes in substance the reply was very much what hisely that of Verdun, where the French energies recently have been concentrated on extending to its original size the same in effect as that to the believe the most solvious point as that nearest to the heart of Germany—for the effect to roll back the tide of invasion, or in case of minor success a point whence opera—

of president Wilson opens the door for further advances to the formany further advances.

French at Disadvantage. not follow with a statement of what we demand. The next exchange of views numbers at this point of the battle line will be between the Alies and President would be hampered by great transportation difficulties, and assert that the say. He is still understood to hope respects a more critical statter.

French reserves are inadequate for any

Balfour Suggested as Author.

The drafting should be by Fereign Secretary Balfour. There is none better able than he to put forward our noble-cause and purpose in worthy language.

The West offine Central Powers have now to reply to President Wilson's note, and we hope we shall do so in the careful, reasoned and courteous manner which is due a friendly neutral.

"In this we have not increly to inform President Wilson on questions which in all probability I, well understands, but to make our case clear to the American public, which is not and cannot be expected to be familiar with European poli-

JOHN D. JR., OUTSKATES SKILFUL RIVAL OF 70 Is a scurately set forth in the address of the Germany will not be diminished. Is to be no thought of aggression; no war of conquest. The military policy of their present position of military vaniage and await the day when the Entente will despuir of changing the military states.

ian. Falls in Doing Double Grapevine.

In a contest of skill in figure skaring on ice yesterday John P. Hockefeller, fr., defeated by a narrow margin Ed-ward Materne, one of his neighbors, who is a member of the brokerage firm ward Materne, one of his neighbors, who is a member of the brokerage firm of Materne & Hess, 27 Hudson street.

Mr. Materne is 70 years old, but this has not prevented him from keeping up his fancy skating and he possesses a supplement and the possesses a supplement and there has been much good natured rivalry between Mr. Rockefeller, Jr., and Mr. Materne, and this led them to de-life to settle the question of their relative superiority on the led them to decide to settle the ques-tion of their relative superiority on the to cloud lake on the Rockefeller estate at Po-of lies."

lake on the Rockefeller estate at Po-cantico tills.

The only kind word you hanfed for So a jury of friendly neighbors was anything British was for the editorial obtained and through the mystic mass, of the Philadelphia twist, the figure eight, the spread eagle and all the others they executed. Mr. Rockefeller with the second to Enterther registrates from the enterther registrates and the Enterther registrates all the country. This attacked the Enterther registrates and the enterther registrates and the enterther than the enterther enterther executed. earnest provision that marks his business life and Mr Materne with the

Demetric. Inglesia, 2.088 tens, the Norwegian steamers Flora, 1.032 tons, and Eva, and the Russian sailing ship Sections are the double grapevine. Mr. fockefeiler taking the lead. With deadly seriousness he wound through the difficult figure. Next was Mr. Materne's turn; he got nearly through it, but in making a spin he lost his balance and fell. So the palm was awarded to Mr. Rockefeiler, although the contest was So close that a return match is likely to be held.

Wilhelmstrasse Lets Washington Know Further Efforts Are Useless.

OUR HAND STRICKEN DOWN WITH SWORD"

Germany Declared to Be United for Great Fight to a Decision.

WORSE FATE FOR FOES IS PREDICTED

Bernstorff Refuses to Comment-Resentment in Teuton Circles.

Washington, Jan. 1.—President Wilson's last real hopes for peace were rudely dashed to-day when news came from Berlin that the German Governcondering useless further efforts to stop the European war Foreign Office has permitted it to be official text of the Entente rejoinder bears out the cabled version there is nothing left for the fatherland but to devote its whole energies to relentless

"We have offered our hand and they have struck it down with the sword." This pointed reference to the bitter tone of the Entente's ceply is given as characterizing the German attitude Barring an unexpected change of tone on the part of the Entente in respond-

success a point whence opera-ioto the rich fron fields would be a further advance by its Government the war will go on another year, at

Germany's sudden change of front is Military experts here point out that the strongly reflected in Teuton diplomatic circles here. Count von Bernstorff

ary status.

The desire for heace now, it is firm Teuten conviction that no change in the war map is to result from more years of costly war. What the Central Powers will suffer the Entente will suffer too, in "countless treasure loss to clyillzation and loss of human lives," according to the German view. There-fore the Tentonic allies proposed to and the conflict now with honor to both sides.

it is asserted. Teuton Resentment.

to cloud the facts in the case by a ti-sue

as a "poor specimen of Freuen transla-tion from the Russian." The bint that Russia practically took the lead in dictating the Entente's rejection has takied Teuton circles here and concluded the that neutral opinion will decide with Germany's peace efforts as against Russia's desire for conquest as emplasized by the Russian desire to wrest Constantinople from the Tucks.

The President late to day went to the Capitol and spent an hour discussing the country's foreign affairs with Serator Stone, chairman of the Foreign Rela-tions Committee. So for an world be fearned the President sought no action